

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Confirmation No. 2303

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Examiner J. Casimer Jacyna

METHOD AND DEVICE FOR DISCHARGING FLUID

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of December 6, 2005, Applicants hereby elect Group I, which is drawn to a method for discharging fuel. Accordingly, since Group I has been elected, Applicants further elect Species 2, which is illustrated in Figure 10. Note, that claims 1-4, 6-7, 9 and 11 read on the elected species.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits of the elected group is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

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